

**THE EDUCATION UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY**

**Department of Psychology Entrance Scholarship
for the Master of Social Sciences in Psychology (Schools and Community Settings) Programme
2021/22**

1. Background

The Department of Psychology is committed to supporting outstanding students in pursuit of academic excellence and to recognize students' academic achievements. The "Department of Psychology Entrance Scholarship for the Master of Social Sciences in Psychology (Schools and Community Settings) Programme" is established by the Department of Psychology for students enrolled in the Master of Social Sciences in Psychology (Schools and Community Settings) [MSocScP(SCS)] programme since 2020/21. The scholarship is awarded on the basis of outstanding academic merit. Three local and three non-local students will be offered if they have successfully met the award's requirements.

The scholarship will offset part of the students' tuition fees and it will be issued by deducting from the tuition fee after students have completed one semester of study. It will be awarded in January 2022. Awardees are required to sign an undertaking on refund of scholarship if they are not able to complete the programme within the normal study period and/or withdraw from the programme for whatever reasons.

2. Provision of the Scholarship

- (a) The quota is capped at a maximum of 6, including 3 local students and 3 non-local students regardless of full-time or part-time mode in the academic year of 2021/22.
- (b) A scholarship amount of HK\$10,000 will be awarded to each awardee.
- (c) The scholarship will be offered in 2021/22.
- (d) The successful candidates are allowed to hold concurrent scholarships (except The Dean's Postgraduate Entrance Scholarship under the Faculty of Education and Human Development, or equivalent) or bursaries, and the value of this entrance scholarship will not be reduced. According to University policy, a student cannot receive scholarships exceeding annual tuition, but scholarships/awards for outbound activities are excluded.

3. Eligibility Criteria

The scholarship is offered to selected candidates who fulfill the following criterion:

- Being enrolled as a student of Master of Social Sciences in Psychology (Schools and Community Settings) programme in 2021/22, regardless of his/her study mode (i.e., full-time or part-time) and the status (i.e. local or non-local).

4. Selection Criteria

The applicants must:

- (a) have attained a minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.4 out of 4.0 in their respective Bachelor degrees (or equivalent);
- (b) demonstrate evidence of notable contribution to the schools and community settings or relevant community service activities.

Three best-performing local applicants and three best-performing non-local applicants would be selected.

5. Nomination and Selection Procedure

- (a) Any eligible applicants who fulfilled the above selection criteria and accepted the admission offer of the MSocScP(SCS) by **31 March 2021** will be automatically considered for the scholarship.
- (b) Internal selection by paper and/or interview by the Programme Committee will be conducted in **April 2021**. The list of awardees will be sent to the Committee on Scholarships and Prizes of the University for noting and record.
- (c) An email to the awardees and an announcement will be followed up by **May 2021**.
- (d) Depending on uptake of the scholarships, unclaimed scholarships will be awarded to eligible applicants in later rounds of admission, if applicable.

6. Conditions of Award

- (a) The scholarship will be discontinued if, for whatever reasons, the recipient has terminated study at EdUHK (e.g. defer, withdraw, expel) or changed the mode of study (e.g. from full-time to part-time) He/She may have to fully refund the scholarship.
- (b) The scholarship will also be discontinued if the recipient has committed any unethical and/or undesirable behavior(s) and/or violated any EdUHK regulation(s) in the academic year of the award of scholarship. The Department reserves the right to make judgement on what constitute(s) undesirable behavior and request the recipient(s) concerned to partly or fully refund the scholarship.
- (c) If none of candidates meet the aforementioned eligibility and selection criteria in the academic year, the scholarship will not be offered.

7. Handling of Information and Personal Data

The Education University of Hong Kong (EdUHK) fully supports and observes recognised standards of protection in the security and confidentiality of personal data, as stipulated in the requirement of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance. The information collected from you will be used for processing application for this scholarship. The collected data will be purged after 2 years. Please note that it is mandatory for you to provide the personal data required or we might not process your request. Your personal data captured might be transferred or shared with other unit(s) of EdUHK but will not be transferred to outside parties. You have the right to request

access to and correction of information held by us about you. If you wish to access or correct your personal data, please submit your request to reg@eduhk.hk for student data.

8. Enquiries (for Regulations and Procedures only)

For enquiries, please contact Ms Vivi Law at 2948-8544 or msocscp@eduhk.hk.